

REMARKS

By this amendment, applicants have amended claim 11 to correct a typographical error. See, e.g., original claim 4.

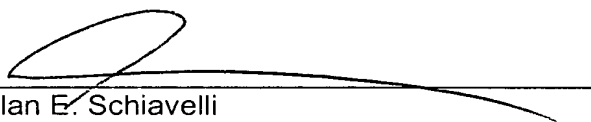
Since this amendment merely presents rejected claim 11 in better form for consideration on appeal, entry of this amendment under 37 CFR 1.116(b)(2) and 41.33(a) is requested.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, favorable reconsideration and allowance of all of the claims now in the application are requested.

To the extent necessary, applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case: 612.40180X00), and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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